

## King's Children.

### REPORT OF GRAVELTON K. C. SOCIETY.

The King's Children meet at 6:30 P. M. Our meeting opens with song and prayer. We are led in prayer by one of the members or some other brother or sister. The instructor then takes charge of the class. We read the lesson, a verse about, etc. Our teacher asks questions and gives instructions from the lesson. The pupils also ask and answer questions. The secretary's report is then read. When the roll is called each one responds with a Scripture verse. The treasurer also lifts a collection. Our fee for each pupil is 2 cents per month. Our number of pupils at the present is thirty-six. The officers are as follows:

Irvin Wagner, President.  
Ella Stewart, Vice Pres.  
Daisy Wagner, Secretary.  
Maude Clouse, Treasurer.  
Lottie Stuckman, Chorister.  
Sister Hunsicker, Instructor.  
June 27, 1896.

### ANNUAL REPORT.

The Ashland K. C. Society held its quarterly election June 27, 1896. It resulted as follows:

Pres., A. D. Gnagey.  
Vice Pres., Mrs. Josiah Keim,  
Sec., Ischia Worst.  
Treas., Mrs. Humbird,  
Mar., J. T. Kolb.

#### Secretary's annual report:

June 30, 1895, number of active members 33. June 28, 1896, number of active members 31, associated members 1, total 32.

Number of meetings from June 30, 1895 to June 28, 1896, 50.

Devotional, 43.

Literary, 3.

Business, 4.

The Committees—Christian Service, Floral, Membership, Introduction, Program, and Literary, were duly appointed at every regular election, and each member performed his duty assigned.

#### Treasurer's annual report:

June 30, 1895, Am't in treasury \$1.87. Amount received during the ensuing year, \$3.55.

Amount expended, \$3.50.

June 28, 1896, Am't in treasury, \$1.92.

May the Father of all help us to realize that we as King's Children have a noble work to do to-day, for there is no bugle-call with which to summon back the years that fly, like birds, away. May our Society be to many a weary traveler as the

shadow of a rock in a weary land, and light as of the Pharos in a stormy sea.

CLARA WORST, Sec.

Ashland, Ohio.

### FROM CORNELL, ILL.

Our Society of King's Children met on the 29th of June at Brother Vanderree's home. That being our first quarterly meeting, everything went off nicely. We listened to the report of the committees. The business was put in good shape for the next three months and all seemed to manifest a great interest in the work. Our society is only three months old and numbers about 48 members. Our president being full of earnest zeal for God and the salvation of lost souls, I think we can not help but prosper. I think the success of our K. C. depends greatly on the work of the committees. The mission of the K. C. should be to save souls. If we wish to be children of the King, we must take Christ into our life. We must have the spirit of Christ in us to make the services attractive. No work done for God is lost. Watchfires kindled by a true servant of Christ may seem to die down, but they will burst forth in unexpected places and hearts. Let none be disheartened because of seeming failure, but sow in faith and tears and faithfulness and the results will surely tell to the advancement of Christ's kingdom.

Dear children, we all have something to do in the K. C. whether church members or not. Then let us not hesitate to bear our portion of the burden, and we will be strengthened in the Lord. May we zealously and earnestly strive to reach that haven of rest where we shall see the great king in all his beauty, is the prayer of your sister in Christ.

July 7.

JENNIE LAYNE.

### K. C. HELPS.

There are many young people in our own K. C. and C. E. societies who are real earnest Christians, and yet they are timid and shy in the meeting. They do not take part in the devotional meetings because they feel they can not do so. We think this is so largely because they do not know just what to do. The following hints for "Shy Members" taken from the *Intelligence* will be suggestive.

Offer a sentence prayer.

Lead in repeating the Lord's prayer.

Get familiar with the topic before you come to the meeting.

Come as nearly as you can directly from the place of secret prayer.

Come asking God to show you what to do, and to give you strength to do it.

Read a short selection of prose or poet-

ry that has helped you, whether bearing on the lesson or not.

Write out a few thoughts, and at a proper time read them; this will help you to get used to the sound of your voice.

Never refuse, when called on to do anything in the meeting, no matter what it may be. Refusing weakens; responding strengthens. You want to get strong in God's work. Use the necessary means. Take exercise, though it may seem hard.

Recently we met a young man who was very anxious to do something for the cause of Christ. He was president of a C. E. society and from reports we knew the society was doing good work. Now among the most important of the duties of our young people is that of being helpful to the pastor. That society which fails to support and encourage the pastor in his work is a failure. So too, the individual must be alert to do the pastor service. But what can I do? The writer finds the following clipping among his collection of good things from exchange. This one is from the *Christian Union Herald*. You certainly do *one* of the things here mentioned:

#### *How I can help the Pastor.*

By faithful attendance upon his preaching.

By giving good heed to the words spoken by his lips.

By regular attendance upon all the church meetings.

By doing their part faithfully in the prayer-meeting and in the Sunday-school.

By practicing what he preaches.

By inviting others to hear the Word preached.

By praying for him regularly in the homes and prayer-meetings.

By letting him know of cases of sickness and distress.

By introducing strangers to him.

By speaking words of encouragement. He needs it as much as the young people themselves.

By always speaking well of him.

By contributing as liberally as your means will permit.

By keeping yourself well informed as to the work of the church.

By using all your talents for the up-building of the kingdom of Christ.

By avoiding those things which hinder his usefulness, and using your influence upon others to the same end.

ONE of the worst deceived persons is the man who in addressing an audience thinks he is saying something funny, and laughs at it himself, while his auditors fail to see where the fun comes in.